

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A removably replaceable label comprising:

an elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof; said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet.

wherein said sheet has a score extending a predetermined distance from said one of said first end and said second end toward the other one of said one of said first end and said second end.

Please cancel claim 2.

5. (Amended) The label according to claim 1, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied to said adhesive coating in a location that is spaced from said top edge and said [bosom] bottom edge.

6. (Amended) The label according to claim [2]1, wherein said sheet is

made from an uniaxially oriented material.

7. (Amended) The label according to claim [2]1, wherein said sheet is oriented in a direction that said score extends.

10. (Amended) The label according to claim [2]1, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is a varnish.

26. (Amended) A label comprising:

an elongated sheet having a [from] front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet being made from an uniaxially oriented material, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof, said sheet has a score extending a predetermined distance from one of said first end and said second end toward the other one of said one of said first end and said second end; and
said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto.

38. (Amended) A medical container comprising:

an outer surface; and

a removable replaceable readherable label comprising:

an elongated sheet being adhesively connected to said outer surface, said elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof;

said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet,

wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending therefrom, thereby forming a new first end.

Please cancel claim 43.

44. (Amended) The container according to claim 38, [wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end,] wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied on said new first end.

Please cancel claim 48.

49. (Amended) The container according to claim [48]45, wherein said

sheet is oriented in a direction that said score extends.

Please add the following new claims:

52. The label according to claim 1, wherein said removable portion includes the entire top edge and said remainder portion includes the entire bottom edge.

53. A removably replaceable label comprising:
an elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof;
said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet,
wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end.

54. The label according to claim 53, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied on said new first end.

55. The label according to claim 53, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied to said adhesive coating in a location that is spaced from said top edge and said bottom edge.

56. The label according to claim 54, wherein said sheet is made from an uniaxially oriented material.

57. The label according to claim 54, wherein said sheet is oriented in a direction that said score extends.

58. The label according to claim 53, wherein said sheet is made from an olefin film.

59. The label according to claim 53, wherein said adhesive is an emulsion acrylic adhesive.

60. The label according to claim 53, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is a varnish.

61. The label according to claim 53, wherein said removable portion includes the entire top edge and said remainder portion includes the entire bottom

edge.

62. A removably replaceable label comprising:

an elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof; said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet,

wherein said sheet is made from an uniaxially oriented material.

63. The label according to claim 62, wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end.

64. The label according to claim 62, wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied on said new first end.

65. The label according to claim 62, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied to said adhesive coating in a location that is spaced from said top edge and said bottom edge.

66. The label according to claim 62, wherein said sheet is oriented in a direction that said score extends.

67. The label according to claim 62, wherein said sheet is made from an olefin film.

68. The label according to claim 62, wherein said adhesive is an emulsion acrylic adhesive.

69. The label according to claim 62, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is a varnish.

70. The label according to claim 62, wherein said removable portion includes the entire top edge and said remainder portion includes the entire bottom edge.

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71. A medical container comprising:

an outer surface; and

a removable replaceable readherable label comprising:

an elongated sheet being adhesively connected to said outer surface, said elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof;

said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet,

wherein said sheet has a score extending a predetermined distance from said one of said first end and said second end toward the other one of said one of said first end and said second end.

72. The container according to claim 71, wherein said indicia includes information selected from a biological product and a radioactive medical product.

73. The container according to claim 71, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied adjacent to said first end and to a strip of said adhesive coating extending for a predetermined distance toward said second end of said elongated

sheet.

74. The container according to claim 73, wherein said strip of said adhesive coating extends from said first end to said second end.

75. The container according to claim 74, wherein said strip is spaced from said top edge and said bottom edge.

76. The container according to claim 71, wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied on said new first end.

77. The container according to claim 76, wherein said score is substantially coextensive with a boundary on said rear surface between said adhesive coating and said adhesive reducing coating.

78. The container according to claim 77, wherein said sheet is made from an uniaxially oriented material.

79. The container according to claim 71, wherein said sheet is oriented in a direction that said score extends.

80. The container according to claim 71, wherein said container further comprises a plurality of removable replaceable readherable labels adhesively connected to said outer surface.

81. The container according to claim 71, wherein said sheet further comprises a plurality of removable portions.

82. The label according to claim 71, wherein said removable portion includes the entire top edge and said remainder portion includes the entire bottom edge.

83. A medical container comprising:
an outer surface; and
a removable replaceable readherable label comprising:
an elongated sheet being adhesively connected to said outer surface, said elongated sheet having a front surface, a rear surface and a first end, a second end, a top edge and a bottom edge, said sheet comprising of a removable portion and a remainder portion, said removable portion and said remainder portion each having identifying indicia printed on a front surface thereof;

said rear surface having an adhesive coating applied thereto, an adhesive reducing coating being applied to said adhesive coating adjacent to said first end of said elongated sheet,

wherein said sheet is made from an uniaxially oriented material.

84. The container according to claim 83, wherein said indicia includes information selected from a biological product and a radioactive medical product.

85. The container according to claim 83, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied adjacent to said first end and to a strip of said adhesive coating extending for a predetermined distance toward said second end of said elongated sheet.

86. The container according to claim 85, wherein said strip of said adhesive coating extends from said first end to said second end.

87. The container according to claim 86, wherein said strip is spaced from said top edge and said bottom edge.

88. The container according to claim 83, wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending therefrom, thereby forming a new first end.

89. The container according to claim 83, wherein said first end includes a tab portion extending from the removable portion thereof, thereby forming a new first end, wherein said adhesive reducing coating is applied on said new first end.

90. The container according to claim 83, wherein said sheet has a score extending a predetermined distance from said one of said first end and said second